

Cloud Storage Working Group

The Cloud Storage Working Group is responding to challenges in effectively managing rapidly growing cloud storage. The group is evaluating opportunities for community action in both policy and technical arenas, through sharing of best practices, documentation, and identification of opportunities for improved methods.

The Working Group is engaging cloud service providers as appropriate, as well as allied community groups in conversation to better understand ways to achieve cost effective and sustainable management of cloud storage.

The Cloud Storage Working Group was chartered by [CSTAAC](#) and it is supported by Internet2 NET+ staff.

Some of the current focus areas include Google Workspace for Education and Microsoft Office 365 storage management strategies.

The group has been actively engaged in providing higher education-specific feedback to Google as it relates to Google Workspace for Education since 2021. It has also created a repository of best practices and documentation on a number of topics listed in the Resources section below.

In light of the [recent changes in storage limits announced by Microsoft](#), the group has been tackling similar topics for Microsoft Office 365.

The group meets every third Tuesday of the month at noon ET. Please email dvoss@internet2.edu if you are interested in participation or being kept abreast on the worgroup's work.

Public Resources for Google Workspace for Education

The workgroup has created a repository of best practices and documentation on the following topics:

- [Deprovisioning of Accounts](#), working group of 20+ universities led by Chuck Boheim, Cornell University
- [Data Migration for Google Workspace for Education](#), working group of 10+ universities led by Hellen Zziwa, Harvard University
- [Communication](#), working group of 10+ universities led by Matt Klein, Cornell University
- [Quota Management](#), working group of 20+ universities led by Justin Zemlyak, Indiana University

List of Resources

- [Resource Google Workspace admins \(especially new ones\) should be aware of/sign up for](#)
- [Deprovisioning of Accounts wiki site](#)
- [Public folder with Deprovisioning of Accounts Examples and Documentation](#)
- [Deprovisioning of accounts presentation](#)
- [Quota Management presentation](#)
- [Communication regarding Migration presentation and the presentation transcript](#)
- [Communication resources](#)
- [Data Migration](#)
 - [Data Migration presentation](#)
 - [NET+ DryvIQ](#) is now available thru the Internet2 NET+ program
 - [NET+ Globus](#) is in the final stages of the service evaluation process and it is expected to be available in mid 2024
- [What Counts as Storage](#)
- [Overview of Google Storage](#) - 5 pages
- [Buy More Storage](#)
- Google Photos resources:
 - [Brown University](#)
 - [University of Michigan](#)
 - [Unsupported videos](#)
 - [University of Auckland](#)

2023 [10-webinar Virtual Series Showcasing Google Workspace for Education](#)

2024 [Virtual webinar series](#)

Questions?

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